

Wishing All Our Readers and Friends a Happy Holiday Season

Minutes of Monthly Meeting M.D. of Buffalo Coulee

Dec. 11, 1937.—Council met in Sault school with Mrs. Hetherington, Phaeasey, Ramsay, Hills, Dew and Curry present and Reeve Ramsay presiding.

Minutes of Nov. 13 were read and adopted.

Monthly statement for November was read, and signed by the Reeve.

Hospital notices for November were read. Secretary to advise A. Bierman and Romeo Guyon not now residents of Buffalo Coulee.

Relief circulars read, Albert Baldwin made application for relief. Cr. Curry carried that \$10 be authorized for December and work to be given.

Cr. Phaeasey gave a report of his attendance at the meeting of the board of review in Vermilion. Cr. Hetherington carried that report be accepted.

Report re Mrs. Niechyporuk, that house had been papered and windows repaired, despite her usual protests and non-co-operation.

Discussion re advertising Tax Sale. Cr. Hills carried that it be advertised in the *Manville Mirror*.

The following resolution was moved and carried unanimously, "We, the Council of the M. D. of Buffalo Coulee No. 463, duly assembled, and through representations of ratepayers, do hereby protest against the imposition of enlarged school districts at this time." Copy to be forwarded to the Minister of Education and to the Hon. W. A. Fallov.

Letters were read from Mrs. Knoll & Cook, both of Vermilion, in answer to our ad in the *Vermilion Standard*. Cr. Dew carried that sec'y reply giving information and that Mrs. Hetherington, Curry and Hills be a committee to interview the donors with full power to act.

Seizures and collections were discussed and considered, particulars of which may be seen at the office of the sec'y.

Report was made re Jno. Kane sale, etc. Cr. Dew carried that report be accepted and expenses paid. Sec'y to write S.S.B. re taxes.

Correspondence read re Mrs. Brady pension. Sec'y to investigate and reply.

Circulars read from Wood's Home for Children soliciting donation. Cr. Hills carried that no action be taken.

A letter from Lamont hospital was read with account re R. Kuvica. Cr. Phaeasey carried that no action be taken as Kuvica not indigent.

Correspondence read re Mr. Brady pension. Sec'y to investigate and reply.

Cr. Dew carried that delegates report of annual convention be accepted and expenses paid.

Cr. Dew carried that the annual ratepayers' meeting be held in Sault school on Saturday, Feb. 19/38.

Cr. Dew carried that fees for D.R.O.s and polling booths be the same as last year, same to be as follows:

D.R.O. Polling Place
Div. 1—Herman Eyben, S.E. 28-47-3
Div. 2—Wm. Prior, N.E. 28-47-3
Div. 3—D. H. Currie, S.W. 34-47-9
Div. 4—E. J. Luge, S.W. 23-49-9
Div. 5—Chris. Gadke, S.W. 10-49-8
Div. 6—N. McHardy, S.W. 4-49-7-4
Cr. Dew carried that all current taxes on leases on school lands be cancelled, they being levied in error.

A request was submitted from J. A. Fleming asking that in the event of him purchasing the S.W. 2-48-9-4 he be allowed to pay part of the arrears of taxes this fall and the balance in the spring of 1938. Cr. Phaeasey carried that request be refused.

The Reeve moved that this Council do not advance Seed Grain to anyone in the spring of 1938. The motion was declared carried, voting being 5 for and Cr. Curry against.

Cr. Hetherington carried that time sheets be paid as follows: 1N, \$22; 2O, 42-64; 2F, 38-50; 3M, 13-50; 3N, \$251.

Cr. Dew carried payment of accounts.

Cr. Hills carried that the Reeve and Secretary be authorized to renew contract with Dr. B. E. Knapp as Municipal Doctor for 1938.

Cr. Hetherington carried the adjournment, next meeting to be at 11 o'clock on January 8th.

If you have something valuable that you can't use and somebody else may want, an advertisement in this paper will sell it for you. Try it.

ALBERT DISTRICT NEWS

At the annual meeting of the Albert W. M. S. the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lukens; vice-president, Mrs. Currie; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. D. H. Currie. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. H. Currie.

The Happy Hikers held their last meeting at the home of Mrs. Griffiths with Mary Currie and Edna Jones serving lunch.

Mrs. W. J. Matthews is spending the holidays with her parents at Loyallist.

At the annual meeting of the Albert W. I. held on December 9th the entire slate of officers was re-elected. The traffic conducted by Mrs. Lukens was won by Mrs. Griffiths. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Griffiths with Mrs. I. Currie and Mrs. McRoberts as tea hostesses, and Mrs. Hay and Mrs. Ramsay as program convokers.

Miss Edith McRoberts, Camrose normalite, is spending the Christmas holidays with her family.

Miss Margaret Ramsay spent the week-end with Miss Freda Wright of Underwood district.

Mary Currie left for Edmonton on Friday where she will be the guest of Rita Sanderson for Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Larson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. McLean of Education Point district on Christmas day.

The concert, box social and dance held at the school house Friday night proved successful. The program consisted of a humorous monologue by Mrs. F. Lukens Jr.; accordion music by Francis Lukens and two one-act comedies directed by Mr. Griffiths. The plays, "Mrs. Stubbs' Book Agent" played by Kathleen Barss, Wilma Currie, Evelyn McRoberts, John Barss and Edgar Jones, and "What's Hot Pants" a darky production in which Edith Jones, Percy Miller, Ivan Hardy, Harley Barss, Stanley Jones and Clair Lukens took part, were well received by the large audience. Herbert Larson acted as chairman. Music for the dance was supplied by Messrs. F. Lukens and Earl Prior. Proceeds from the box social go to the rink fund.

Mr. Aberhart's Speech

I did not agree with one of Mr. Aberhart's arguments. The Premier stated that the reason people are in want in Alberta today is because they are not given credit. The speaker went on to blame this catastrophe on big financiers, especially the banks, who choose to withhold it. In my estimation he is blind to or should be sight ignorant of the actual power of these financiers. Cannot the Honorable Premier reason that as long as private ownership has control of the wealth these owners can also control the purchasing power of credit? Secondly if they do not wish to part with this wealth all the credit in the world could not move the people one millimetre further ahead. Purchasing power will not solve the problem, but public ownership only can fill hungry mouths and clothe half-naked bodies.

How! Yes, how would public ownership then, solve the problem? It would guarantee every person in the country a good living by confiscating the idle wealth now in the hands of large private owners. Socialism would not take over all the wealth and distribute it in as clumsy a form as dividends, but it would distribute the wealth by means of higher wages, compulsory crop insurance, set prices for farm products, lower cost of living and public works. Government agencies would handle all products sold on the foreign market and stand the balance between cost and selling price by the enormous profit that is now consuming our purchasing power. So large would be the income from government handling of our industries that all the above service could be rendered and taxes greatly reduced.

However it is sad to say that neither the Premier nor his followers can see this astonishing contrast and their own hopeless struggle which if it ever should succeed would be of no permanent value whatever.

—Harold Gulbraa.
(Gr. XII, Irma High School.)



Christmas at the Churches

IRMA UNITED CHURCH
Rev. E. Longmire, Minister
Services for Sunday, December 26:
Irma—Sunday School, 11 a.m.
Public Worship, 7.30 p.m.
Prayer and Fellowship, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.
A hearty welcome to all.

The young people's and Tuxis banquet held last Thursday evening proved an outstanding success. The weather was ideal and the provisions and arrangements so abundant and choice as to satisfy the demands of the most exacting.

The president of our Y.P.S., Kay Shaw, presided and made a very efficient toast mistress. The first toast to Our King and Country was fittingly proposed by Clarence Carter and the young people responded with the National Anthem. The toast to Our Sunday School and Church was effectively given by Aletha Knudson and replied to on behalf of the S. S. and church by Mr. Reeds. Bob Smith in proposing the toast to Our Tuxis very fittingly outlined the Tuxis program and was replied to by Arthur Knudson who made special reference to the benefits of their group activities. The toast to Our Young People was given by Mr. Longmire who emphasized the great opportunity for such an organization and its contribution toward building Christian character. This was replied to on behalf of the Young People by the past president, O. Larson.

The toast mistress then called upon the president of the Wainwright Y.P.S., Mr. Ken Torry, who fittingly brought greetings and good wishes from the Wainwright group. He urged that young people learn to act for themselves and for them to take a definite stand for the right and against the wrong.

Following the banquet the evening's activities were continued by a further program. This consisted of community singing with Marjorie McFarland at the piano; a mixed quartette by Marian Longmire, Ethel Tate, Ray Locke and Jack Peterson; a sketch by Kay Shaw, Catherine Patterson, Evelyn Elford, Stella Arnold and Gwen Burton. Rev. G. E. Armstrong of Wainwright was then called upon for an address. Taking as his subject the Tuxis motto "Life is not a goblet to be drained but a measure to be filled" the speaker very forcefully stressed the necessity of making the worth while ideas of life which are brought to us our ideals by which to live and serve, and to build life upon a Christian foundation, and with a Christian objective.

The singing of "The Day Thou gavest Lord is ended" brought a most successful and profitable gathering to a close. Much credit is due to the executive and committees for carrying through their plans so effectively.

CONSUMERS DO NOT ASK FOR INCREASED GAS TAXES

Commenting on the long series of investigations into the oil industry the president of the American Petroleum Institute recently noted that "suggestions for government regulation do not come from consumers of petroleum products."

"When you think about it," he said, "these periodic investigations of the oil business, staged as great battles in the public interest, do not spring from any popular uprising over the treatment the public received from the oil industry."

ST. MARY'S (Anglican) CHURCH
Rev. P. A. Rickard, Vicar
There will be a celebration of Holy Communion on Sunday, December 26, at 2.30 p.m.

The annual meeting of the W. A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Inklin on Tuesday, January 4th.

Women's Institute

A meeting of the Irma W. I. will be held on Thursday, January 6th, 1938, at the home of Mrs. R. C. McFarland, at 2.30 p.m. Hostesses—Mrs. C. Wilbraham and Mrs. B. Long—Mrs. C. Wilbraham, Sec'y.

New Social Credit Group Formed At Irma, Alberta

A Social Credit meeting was held at Irma on December 21st for the purpose of discussing the feasibility of forming a new Social Credit group to register with the League so that members could receive their proper membership cards for the coming year.

It was decided to form a new group under the name of the "Irma Loyal Social Credit Group" with a paid-up membership of 20 members.

Officers elected were as follows:—Ben Sather, Irma, President; Charlie Archibald, Irma, vice-president; Mrs. Marie B. Knudson, Irma, Sec'y-Treas. The next meeting of the group will be held at the home of Mrs. A. E. Knudson on December 28th at 8 p.m. All Social Crediters wishing to join the group and receive their membership cards from the Alberta Social Credit League are welcome to do so. Visitors are also welcome to attend the meeting.

"Never was it more important for Canadian teachers to be experts than now. Teachers today are teaching children during days of turmoil and strife, of wars and rumors of wars, and during a period of unrest that is possibly the greatest in our history." —Dr. W. P. Percival.

GOING PLACES



C. G. PURVIS
Local Barrister and Solicitor who has been appointed successor to Charles Becker as Edmonton police court prosecutor.

who "turn not only on their suppliers but appeal to the government for laws or regulations they believe will improve their situation."

The public, unable to see through the smoke screen of "championing the people" is easily misled. It is an imperative need that industry aid the people in understanding how it is affected by economic, industrial, and political issues.

Much can be done in enlarging the breadth and depth of public understanding and in this field industry itself can give great assistance.

Kinsella Kernels.

Miss Georgina Lee is a patient in the Viking hospital.

The Kinsella school Christmas concert will be held on Thursday, December 23rd.

Miss Chrissie McKie won first prize for the best box at the box social held last Wednesday.

Mr. Lyle Smart is spending Christmas at his home in Leduc.

There will be a dance in the W. I. club room after the Christmas concert on Dec. 23rd.

Mrs. W. L. Ferries returned on Sunday from Vancouver where she has spent the past two months.

LOWRY-MILLER
A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the First Christian church Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock when Miss Thelma Miller, of Hollywood, Calif., only daughter of Mrs. E. J. Reasor, and a niece of Mrs. E. J. Reasor, was married to Robert Lee Lowry, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lowry of Ventura, Calif. Dr. Guy Drill officiated.

The altar was beautifully decorated with palms, fern and fall flowers. The bride was gowned in white Irish embroidered satin with a train and veil, with a crown of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of calla lilies.

Mrs. Opert Arnett of Portland was the maid of honor. She wore a gown of pale blue taffeta and carried pink rosebuds. Opert Arnett of Portland was best man.

The bride was given away by her stepfather, W. W. Kerns. Miss Geraldine Arnett of Salem played the wedding marches. The candles were lighted by Mrs. Betty Tichenor of Portland. Miss Ruth Teasor sang "The Sunshine of Your Smile."

Oral and Leroy Tichenor of Portland acted as ushers.

A reception for the fifty-five guests followed the ceremony. The bride's table was decorated with a bride's cake in pink and white, candles, and pink rosebuds.

Mrs. Cora Tichenor of Portland and Mrs. Eva Arnett of Salem served at the tea table.

W. W. Kerns sang for the pleasure of the group.

After a two weeks' honeymoon trip, the couple will make their home in Los Angeles.—*Capital-Journal*, Salem, Oregon.

Friends in Kinsella and Viking district, where the bride is well known, join in extending good wishes to the newlyweds.

For Job Printing see E. W. Carter.

SKATING TICKET PRICES

The following are the prices of skating tickets for the present winter: ADULTS, \$2.00 each, or two adult tickets in one purchase, \$3.00.

STUDENTS, Grades 5 to 12, \$1.00 each, or three students in one family, \$2.50.

CHILDREN, Grades 1 to 4, 50c each.

Buy your ticket from the caretaker, R. L. Simmermon. No free skating after December 20th.

—IRMA VILLAGE COUNCIL.

THE CHILDREN'S DAY

Nineteen hundred and thirty-seven years ago three Kings came out of the East, guided by a star, seeking the cradle of a new-born child. They followed the star to Bethlehem, and there, before the manger in a stable where lay the infant Jesus, they laid the precious gifts which their caravans had brought.

Of all of the Biblical legends, this story of the Three Kings and their gifts on that first Christmas has the greatest appeal. It has been perpetuated through the ages in the custom of making the Christmas season a time for giving. Not all of the Christmas giving is done in conscious commemoration of the birth of Christ but the custom does carry, even with the unthinking, something of the spirit of "Peace on Earth to Men of Good Will", which is the essence of Christmas.

It is peculiarly meet and fitting that this should be, above everything else, the children's special holiday. What parent does not rejoice in the privilege, on this annual festival, of laying gifts at the feet of the children, as the Kings of the East laid theirs at the feet of One whom they recognized as the King of Kings?

The Child was the King in Bethlehem. Now, for a season, the child is King again, and all the world lays treasure at his feet. For the child of today will be the man or woman of tomorrow, and who can say which one of them may become a King among his kind? That is the mystery of childhood, that we know the child will grow into something different but into what we cannot foresee. So let everyone pay homage and lay gifts at the feet of the children on Christmas day, as to new-comers lately arrived from another world who may change our world all over, as He whose birthday we celebrate did.

"No one but a lunatic would precipitate a war now." — Lord Mottistone.

Municipal District of Kinsella No. 424

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KINSELLA No. 424.

Take notice that it is not permissible for the supplementary list to be attached to the Municipal Voters' list, this means that all dependents of the voters whose names are on the voters' list must swear in before the D.R.O. at the Poll, therefore all wives, sons, daughters, etc., must swear in on the day of voting.

BLAKE H. GREEN, Sec'y-Treas.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KINSELLA No. 424.

Concerning the free distribution of apples, etc., that was made to certain Municipal Districts, the Council made application to the Government to be included in this free distribution, but were informed that as the M.D. of Kinsella was not included in the drought area, no issue could consequently be made to the District.

BLAKE H. GREEN, Sec'y-Treas.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KINSELLA No. 424.

It has been noticed that certain ratepayers of the M. D. who live in the area that is included in the Viking Hospital District have been going to other Hospital than the Viking. Kindly note that this must be discontinued, unless the persons pay their bills, as the rate in other Hospitals is considerably higher.

By Order of the Council.

BLAKE H. GREEN, Sec'y-Treas.

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Need Is Great

As the eighth year of economic and agricultural depression for a substantial area of the Western Canadian prairie provinces moves towards its close the need for the Federal government to assume full financial, if not administrative, responsibility for relief in all its phases, including medical and hospital costs and administration charges becomes more imperative, and not only in the rural districts but in the urban centres as well.

Under the relief set up as it exists to-day in Alberta and Saskatchewan the Federal government has assumed full financial responsibility for direct relief in what is known as the Federal drought area, comprising a substantial area of municipal units and unorganized territories together with the towns and villages contained in those areas. The provincial governments are required along with the municipalities to bear hospital and medical costs in the Federal drought area and in addition the provincial governments must match the Federal monthly grants in aid, dollar for dollar, as a joint contribution towards direct relief expenditures in rural and urban municipalities outside the drought area.

The Federal contribution to the drought area is an outright gift, not to be repaid and is accompanied by the proviso that neither the whole nor a portion of it may be worked out.

Thus, within the Federal drought area the provincial governments and municipalities still have to bear the not inconsiderable cost of medical care and hospitalization and outside the drought area the municipalities, urban and rural, continue to carry a percentage of direct relief expenditures, the costs of medical and hospital care and administration charges.

Relief Debts Soaring

While it is true that the larger urban centres to-day are carrying a smaller percentage of direct relief expenditures, at the same time the accumulated burden of overhead from borrowings to provide for their share of direct relief expenditures in past years has been rapidly mounting during a period when there was no market for their securities and to-day the credit of many of the cities is threatened with collapse, at a time when the full burden cannot be passed on to a decreasing number of solvent taxpayers whose earnings are declining.

Furthermore, it must be remembered that the plight of these cities has been accentuated in recent years by the necessity of taking care of an influx of rural population who have established residence for a sufficient length of time to qualify for city relief.

Faced with this situation it is not surprising that the demand from the governing bodies of cities in both Alberta and Saskatchewan to be relieved of this burden is becoming more vociferous and that in Alberta, at least, the cities' demands are accompanied by a threat to cut off relief on a date to be named unless further assistance is forthcoming from the senior governments. Conferences of the mayors of Saskatchewan cities have been called with prospects that a similar ultimatum may be issued.

Must Go To Ottawa

If the cities are in earnest and demonstrate that there is something more than moral suasion in their intentions to set a relief cut-off date and will carry them out it is quite predictable that the provincial governments will have to lay the unwanted child on the Ottawa doorstep, for the provinces are in no better financial position to carry the burden than the municipalities themselves.

With the end of the financial tether in sight for the cities and the provinces the need for greater Federal assistance has become very great, but even greater is the need that assistance take the form of work in place of donations or does in cash and kind, wherever it may be feasible and to the maximum possible extent, in the interests of the recipients and the taxpayers alike, and more particularly should this form of assistance be made applicable to relief in the urban centres.

Work Is First Consideration

In this connection it is interesting to note that the Alberta cities made the provision of work one of two alternatives submitted to government authorities when they asked for relief from the load they are carrying, "either by providing sufficient government-financed works to reduce relief rolls to a minimum or by assuming the entire responsibility for the administration of unemployment relief."

Even if the Federal government should assume responsibility for the administration of unemployment relief the necessity for providing it in the form of work is still just as great as under relief fully financed by the government and administered by the municipality, not only from the viewpoint of the taxpayer but also because of the moral as well as economic benefits to the relief recipient.

Taxpayers are tired of seeing millions spent without any return and a large percentage of relief recipients would infinitely prefer an independent means of support to gifts.

"And when you eloped with the girl, did her father follow you?"
"Did he?" said the young man.
"He's living with us still!"

The big potatoes get to the top of the heap, but they wouldn't be there if it weren't for the little fellows at the bottom.

The preponderant strength in arms in Europe belongs to the nations who desire above all to keep the peace. Kindly recollect it when the next fit of jitters is impending.

Nineteen thousand silkworms are needed to make the summer outfit of a Japanese woman.

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B.C. Government Program

Would Extend Northern Boundaries To The Yukon

Premier Pattullo outlined for the British Columbia legislature a 26-point program of government objectives designed to make the province "a beehive of industry and development, with economic and social security from the 49th parallel to its northern boundary, and from Alberta to the Pacific ocean, with our people happy and prosperous."

Among the 26 objectives enumerated by the premier in his speech winding up the budget debate were these:

Maintenance of Empire tariff preference for the benefit of the province's primary industries and at the same time expansion of the province's business with the United States and other countries.

Bringing about construction of a highway through British Columbia and the Yukon.

Extension of British Columbia's boundaries "not only to take in the Yukon territory but also the territory east of the Yukon following the 120th meridian to the North Pole, which would add 400,000 square miles to British Columbia's 386,000."

Establishment of transportation facilities with the Peace River country and northern British Columbia as soon as possible.

Linking of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway—extending now from the head of Howe Sound about 300 miles to Quenest, B.C.—with Canada's two national railway systems.

Co-operation with the Dominion to the end that all unemployed and temporarily unemployed able to work may be able to sustain themselves in reasonable comfort.

Others included improvement of the financial position of municipalities, establishment of better understanding between employers and employees, improvement of labor conditions and improvement through legislation "and administration of the health conditions of our people."

Premier Pattullo's proposal to extend the boundaries of British Columbia to the North Pole would bring the greater part of two Arctic islands and a vast expanse of ice within the provincial borders.

Extension of the province's eastern boundary along the 120th meridian to the Pole would bring about two-thirds of Banks Island in the Beaufort sea and about half of Prince Patrick Island into British Columbia.

Many Priceless Volumes

China's Interest In Bible Was Evident In Exhibition

An exhibition of Bibles in Peiping this year evidenced China's interest in the Christian Scriptures. There were 300-entries, representing 60 languages and dialects, of which 17 were Chinese. Among the Bibles were some of a costly character, and others of priceless historical value. The volumes were lent by libraries, universities, individuals and various mission groups. The British and Foreign Bible Society lent the famous Morrison Bible of 1823 and the Morrison New Testament of that same date, printed from wooden blocks made 10 years earlier. There was also the first Protestant Chinese version to be published.

No volume, however, attracted as much attention as the Mandarin Bible loaned by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek—the one he used during his imprisonment at the time of the Sian revolt in December, 1936.

The meat of the Byrd South Polar expedition had to be thawed out for two days before it could be cooked. So solidly was it frozen that it would splinter if dropped.

"Thirsty" is the meaning of the name Siberia.

FLIN FLON

"The Story of Its Finding and Position To-day"

By PRATT KUHN

(Ed. Note: We are indebted to B. F. Townsley, Toronto, author of "Mine Finders" for some historical material used in the first part of this story.)

There are some things you want to do and seemingly never arrive at the point where they are possible of accomplishment. My visit to Flin Flon was one thing I'd intended to do for years, yet July, 1937, was the first time I got there.

While living in Winnipeg from 1916 to 1923, during some years of which I was on the publicity committee of the city, the name Flin Flon intrigued me. Coming East, before the big developments, under the Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co. took place it was impossible to get back—this year I "made the time" and was fully repaid for the effort in going west from Toronto.

In a virgin forest on the banks of a lake was where Tom Creighton found this mine—to-day you wouldn't recognize the spot. However, let's start at the beginning because this is going to be a long story and must be told properly—right from the first gold discovery in Manitoba, 16 years ago, to the present Flin Flon position of production at the rate of 4,500 tons daily and of a town of 7,000 built on solid rock in seven years.

The Trail To Flin Flon
In 1881 gold was discovered on Block Island in Winnipeg and on the mainland and on the south side of the Winnipeg River near its mouth in 1895. These early discoveries failed to stir interest in gold mining, although in 1898 a few more claims were staked on the Winnipeg, but no work was done.

Major A. E. Pelletier, a French-Canadian Boer war veteran, in May, 1911, resigned as inspector of the R.C.M.P. to prospect for gold.

He, with his Indian partner, Jack Spence, were at Big Rice Lake, Manitoba, in January, 1911, and while there he and Spence, who was a prospector, staked the first claim in the area of Cranberry Lake. The first, if desultory prospecting of the area, may be credited to Canadian Townsleys, Ltd., which had real estate interest in the Pas, and which sent out a party of prospectors comprising Hugh Vickers, George Bancroft, and W. B. Wright. In 1911 this group staked claims for copper along the Hudson Bay Railway at Winter Lake. The first systematic prospecting in the area, however, may be said to date from April, 1913, when Tom Creighton, a cautious, experienced prospector and a veteran of many camps, with John Mosher, Dan Mosher and Leon Dion, first prospected around Lac La Ponge.

Early in the spring of 1913, before the break up, some citizens of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, grubstaked Creighton, John and Dan Mosher and Dion, who prospected around Amisk or Beaver Lake, just across the inter-provincial boundary from the present site of Flin Flon. In September of that year, they staked the Prince Albert claims on the shores of Beaver Lake, the first gold discovered in that area.

The first engineer to examine and sample their find was John Alexander Bell, a native of Halifax and graduate of Queen's University, who was acting for his principal, the Canadian Mining and Exploration Co. Next week we tell you just how the name Flin Flon was chosen.

Won Five Scholarships

Record Made In One Year By Toronto Girl Student

Winner of five scholarships—valued at \$2,975 during the past year, Annie MacPherson had the place of honor at the 11th annual commencement of the Central Manitoba Mines started production with a 50-ton mill only 125 miles northeast from Winnipeg.

Amisk, or Beaver Lake, in Saskatchewan, adjoining the Manitoba boundary, is on the main route from Winnipeg to the hunting and trapping country, lying to the north and west—famed for its moose. As early as 1745 the French fur trader had reached the Saskatchewan River. Samuel Hearne surveyed the fur country along the 120th meridian in 1773 and founded Cumberland House for the Hudson's Bay Co. at Pine Island, 80 miles northwest of what is now The Pas, established immediately.

An Unusual Experience

Man Nearly Lost Life Swimming In Shrinking Lake

A man was swimming in a mountain lake in Jamaica. He glanced at the shore, where he had left his clothes. They seemed to have been moved a considerable distance up the mountain-side.

Then he realized that it was not the clothes that had moved, but the lake. It was shrinking visibly as he swam in it.

He reached the shore only just in time. A few minutes later the last swirl of water disappeared through a hole in the mountain, through which he would have been sucked to death.

At one time, the penalty was more severe for killing a stag than for killing a human being in England.

A goose has about 12,000 muscles under the skin that do nothing but control the action of the feathers.

ately after the free-trading French. A year later, Joseph Prosser and his brother, Alexander Henry, wintered at Amisk Lake, while in 1794 David Thompson mapped its geographical features.

But it was fur, not minerals, that interested the pioneers, and it remained for a moose to inadvertently guide a prospector to Manitoba's largest mine.

In 1905, when the Hudson Bay Railway was rushing northeast over the muskeg toward Hudson Bay, the trading post at The Pas received fresh stimulus, and in 1908 the German prospector, Brunne, staked the first claim in the area of Cranberry Lake. The first, if desultory prospecting of the area, may be credited to Canadian Townsleys, Ltd., which had real estate interest in the Pas, and which sent out a party of prospectors comprising Hugh Vickers, George Bancroft, and W. B. Wright. In 1911 this group staked claims for copper along the Hudson Bay Railway at Winter Lake. The first systematic prospecting in the area, however, may be said to date from April, 1913, when Tom Creighton, a cautious, experienced prospector and a veteran of many camps, with John Mosher, Dan Mosher and Leon Dion, first prospected around Lac La Ponge.

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Synthetic Products

Goering Says Germany Will Corner The World Markets

General Hermann Goering, director of the four-year self-sufficiency plan, predicted that one day Germany would corner the world market in synthetic products.

When that day comes, he declared in a speech at Hamburg, a world which now looks with scorn upon Reich efforts in the field of synthetic manufacture, will buy these products on the German market.

In a warning to Germans not to waste anything, he said he felt a "superior joy" when I became the greatest collector of garbage and bones in Germany.

National interest must take precedence over private or company interests. He reminded Germans of the necessity of obeying economy regulations.

"I am compelled to repeat with insistence that these laws, which were not promulgated as a joke, must be obeyed," he said. "Remember the sacred character of bread. Be parsimonious with bread. Waste nothing. Everything has value."

Turning to foreign policy, Goering declared the "steel axis" from Berlin to Rome—sweeps across central Europe and has been extended to Tokyo, and is a better peace axis than the "league of goingsip assembling at Geneva."

"Now, then!" roared the sergeant-major, as he dismissed the men, "you will parade again at 2 o'clock precisely. And when I say 2 o'clock precisely, I don't mean five past; I mean five to."

Exasperated Lady Colfer—Boy, I thought you came out with me to look for balls.

Boy—Lady, we've both been had, I thought you came out to play golf.

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ALICE STEVENS' RECIPES

MINCE MEAT PATTIES FOR HOLIDAY SEASON

The holidays call for parties and good times, particularly when the young folks are home from work and from college. Refreshments are an important consideration and there are certain traditional dishes that are accorded a place on the holiday menu.

Mince-meat patties add to the success of any party. In fact, many people try to have a Mince Meat Patty at twelve different times, during the holidays, believing that each one makes for a happy month during the ensuing year. Whether that theory is correct is difficult to say, but we all agree that Mince Meat Patties are pretty fine after skating or a tobogganing party.

The hostess finds these patties very easy to serve. They can be made ahead of time and simply warmed up before serving. The mince-meat can be made ahead of time—in fact, many people make a winter's supply at once.

To make the patties, make a rich pastry. Line tart shells with the pastry. Fill with mince-meat and cut a small piece of pastry to cover. This can be cut with a cookie cutter or with a sealer ring. Make small openings in the top of the patties to escape steam. Moisten the edges with cold water and press together. Bake as you would a mince pie.

I have a splendid recipe for mince-meat which I would be pleased to send you. Many people make their mince-meat with fat, and I follow any definite recipe but they have a few little trade secrets which they do not like to tell you. This recipe is a tried and tested one.

It is not wise to serve too many of these rich foods during the holidays. A small portion of the system cannot stand up against too much strain, particularly when coupled with late hours. Serve some simple desserts to help balance up the meals.

BLUSHING APPLES

8 to 10 apples
¾ cup sugar
1 cup water

Make a syrup by boiling the sugar and water. Select red apples. Wash and core but do not peel. Add enough apples to cover the bottom of the saucepan. Cover with a tight-fitting lid. Cook slowly and turn the apples occasionally. Watch carefully so that the apples do not get overcooked. Remove the apples to the serving dish. Add the remainder of the syrup to the apples and cook in the saucepan to help balance up the apples. It will take up some of the pink color of the apples.

Readers are invited to write to Alice Stevens' Home Service for free advice on home cooking and household problems. Address letters to Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermott Ave. E., Winnipeg, Man.

Another Invention

Method Found Which Converts Pine-Apple Fibre Into Silk

A story in the Christian Science Monitor says the pineapple now bids fair to become a strong, although not the only, competitor of the hard-working silkworm, a way having been found to convert its fibres into "silk." Invention has become so ingenious converting plant life into serviceable cloth that it would occasion only mild surprise to learn that a good quality of handpaper is being made from spinach.

Both "pimiento" and "pimenton" are names derived from the Spanish word for pepper.

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HOCKEY!

On Friday evening, Dec. 17th, the Irma and Wainwright junior hockey teams met on Irma ice and struggled through their first game. The ice was a bit soft which made rather slow going. This contest ended in a tie 2-2. Wainwright scored first in

both instances but Irma soon tied it up. First goal was scored by R. Simmerman and the second by P. Inklin. R. Maguire refereed the game. The junior team is charging a small admission at the gate to provide for transportation and to keep the team supplied with sticks. The boys will appreciate your support.

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Mrs. H. Carter arrived home last week from her visit to Vancouver.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Holt, in the Lamont hospital, Dec. 13th, a son.

Mr. H. W. Love of Edmonton was in town last Tuesday and Wednesday.

After the new year the Irma stores will close at 6:30 every Saturday evening.

The next issue of The Times will be dated January 7th, 1938, there being no paper published next week.

The Irma Branch, Canadian Legion, will hold a general meeting on Jan. 8th, at 2 p.m. It is hoped there will be a good attendance.

Rules for the operation of the Irma skating rink have been drawn up and posted in various places for the information of all concerned.

The Irma hockey club are putting on a dance in Kiefer's hall New Year's Eve. Merta's Lone Star Rangers will furnish the music.

Dr. Coursier has been called to B. C. on account of the serious illness of his father and will not be back until after the New Year.

Mr. Dick Yeoman left Irma on Wednesday's train for Beaveridge, where he has a position on the senior hockey team and coach for the junior team.

The Irma Sunday school staff ask the co-operation of all the parents for the skating party and supper to be held in the church on Tuesday, December 28th.

The Irma high school board held their last meeting for the year on December 18. The annual meeting will be held in the school house on January 29th.

The Alberta Government has proclaimed Dec. 27, 1937, a public holiday, therefore all stores and other places of business in Irma will be closed that day.

The Irma senior hockey team paid a return visit to Hughenden last Monday evening and after slushing around on the soft ice a greater part of the evening came out even with their opponents.

The sum of \$12.44 special collection was received at the United church Sunday school on Dec. 19th, and has been forwarded to Wood's Christian Home in Calgary and the Protestant Christian Home in Edmonton. Thanks to all those who contributed to this fund.

The regular meeting of the Irma Social Credit group will be held at usual in Kiefer's hall on January 3 at 8 p.m. Premier Aberhart will speak by means of electrical transcription. As this is the Christmas meeting come in with us, crack nuts and eat Xmas candy instead of remaining outside criticizing.

The handsome cake and other articles raffled by the Oriskania hockey club were won by the following ticket holders when the draw was made on December 22: Christmas cake won with ticket No. 127, Mr. J. Hedley; 2nd prize won with ticket No. 174, Mr. O. Lovig; 3rd prize won with ticket No. 279, Mrs. W. Cole.

We shall be pleased to have you hand in an account of your school Christmas concerts or any other holiday activities for publication. Do not forget to tell us who your visitors were or where you visited during the holidays. We are also looking for the sport news from the northern hockey clubs in the Irma district. These items are always interesting. Thank you.

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